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The Last Will and Testament of Frances Dora Bowes-Lyon, Countess of Strathmore and Kinghorne

The Right Honourable
The Countess of
Strathmore and Kinghorne
formerly Miss Frances Smith
(1832–1922)

Frances Dora Bowes-Lyon, Countess of Strathmore and Kinghorne (née Smith; 29 July 1832 – 5 February 1922) was a British noblewoman. She was the paternal grandmother of Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, and thus a great-grandmother of Queen Elizabeth II.

Her Last Will and Testament
Collection Yuko Nii Foundation
By Terrance Lindall

Information from various sources

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the 13th Earl and Countess of Strathmore

The Williamsburg Art & Historical Center contains many paper treasures. But from the British Isles there is one set of documents which has a compelling history:

The last will of testament of Dowager Lady Strathmore, the soliiciter's copy, hand written and executed at the same time as the original with original signatures.

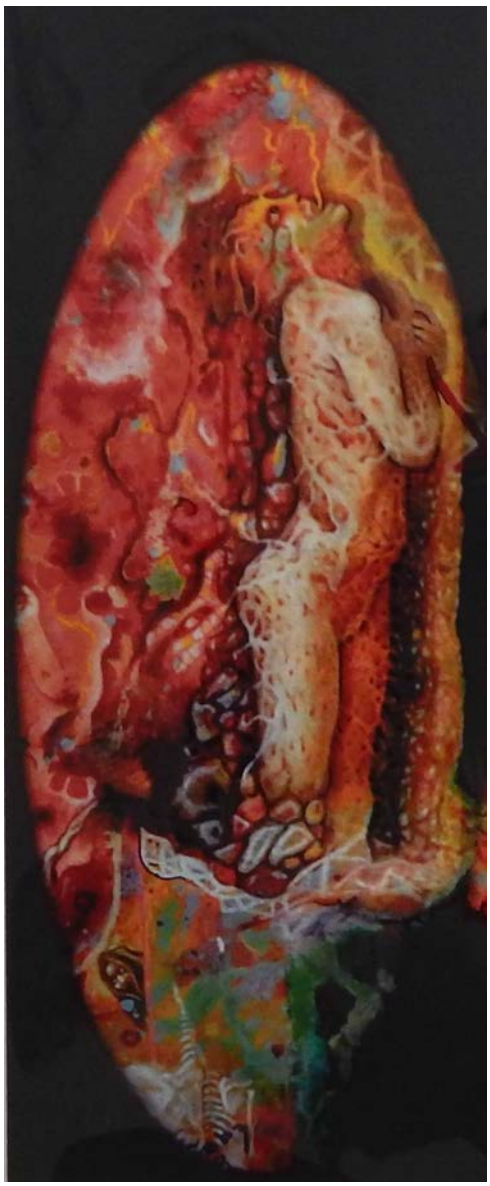
The WAH Center houses the last will of testament of Dowager Lady Strathmore, including her marriage contract and the entire inventory of Glamis Castle. The Lady Strathmore was the mother to the Queen Mother of England who died recently at the age of 101 years in 2002 AD. She was one of the most beloved of the British monarchs. During the Second World War, when the Nazi's were bombing London, she refused to move to the safety of the countryside. preferring to remain "with her people." The Earl of Strathmore and his wife lived in Glamis castle. One of most legended castles in the world, it is " a soaring pile of keep and towers, turrets and battlements." It is said to have more dark secrets than any castle in Britain. And it has numerous ghosts. The gentlest ghost and most often seen is the "Grey Lady." She appears in the chapel.

Few families are older than the Bowes-Lyons, The Lady and Earl of Strathmore. They had their own army 600 years ago and their own private hangman. King Malcolm II of Scotland was murdered here. Shakespeare placed the murder of Duncan by Macbeth in the stone floored vaulted Duncan's hall of the castle. And when the Queen mother was a child, she and her sisters always scuttled at top speed through this room.

Young Elizabeth at Glamis

Lady Glamis (Janet Douglas)
was burnt by James V as a witch and now
haunts Glamis Castle as “The Grey Lady”

The Grey Lady is not the only ghost to haunt its halls. The most appalling legend of all if of the toungeless woman, The late Sir David Bowes-Lyon is said to have seen her while taking a late stroll after dinner on the lawn. There he saw the girl gripping the window bars and staring distractedly in to the night. He was about to speak to her when she disappeared abruptly as if someone had torn her away from the window. There came one appalling scream – then utter silence. It as one minute to midnight. The Toungueless Lady is said to be a vampire whom the lords had punished savagely. Since vampires do not die, it is a pretty thought that she lies entombed in the castle, her eyes closed, her teeth sharp, her menace still potent.



Toungeless Lady of Glamis
by Biemvenido Bones Banez

I was in touch with the Glamis Castle Librarian. She was very nice:

Dear Terrance,

Thank you for your e-mail. You may be interested in the enclosed extract from The Rev. John Stirton's book 'Glamis A Parish History' (Forfar, W. Shepherd, 1913) on the 13th Earl and Countess of Strathmore, as well as the enclosed photograph of the couple on the occasion of their Golden Wedding in 1903. We also hold the diaries of Claude, 13th Earl, for 1844 and 1861 to 1904 at Glamis. The peerage web site is helpful if you are trying to piece together the Bowes Lyon family history; for Claude, 13th Earl, see http://www.thepeerage.com/p10083.htm#i100829

Thank you again for passing on the scanned copies. It is amazing what can get buried in lawyers' offices; their records can be a veritable treasure trove. I have listed a few lawyers' collections over the years and they tend to cover a diverse (and sometimes surprising!) subject area. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any other queries and you are most welcome to visit Glamis in the future.

With best wishes,

Ingrid

No family has had a more intriguing past. A lady Glamis was burnt by James V as a witch, yet a few years alter, Mary, Queen of Scots dined with the family and stayed the night. A monster is said to have dwelt in Loch Calder near the castle. There are many bricked up rooms in the castle. Somewhere in the sixteen-foot thick walls is the famous room of skulls, where the Ogilvies family, who sought protection from their enemies the Lindsay's, were walled up to die of starvation, being no friends of the Strathmores. The tradition of the heavy pile contain much by its appearance and is impressive to the imagination.

An 1845 illustration by R. R. McIan, from James Logan's *The Clans of the Scottish Highlands* showing the Ogilvie tartan

I also inquired to the National Archives:

Dear Mr Lindall,

Thank you for your email of 1 November 2013.

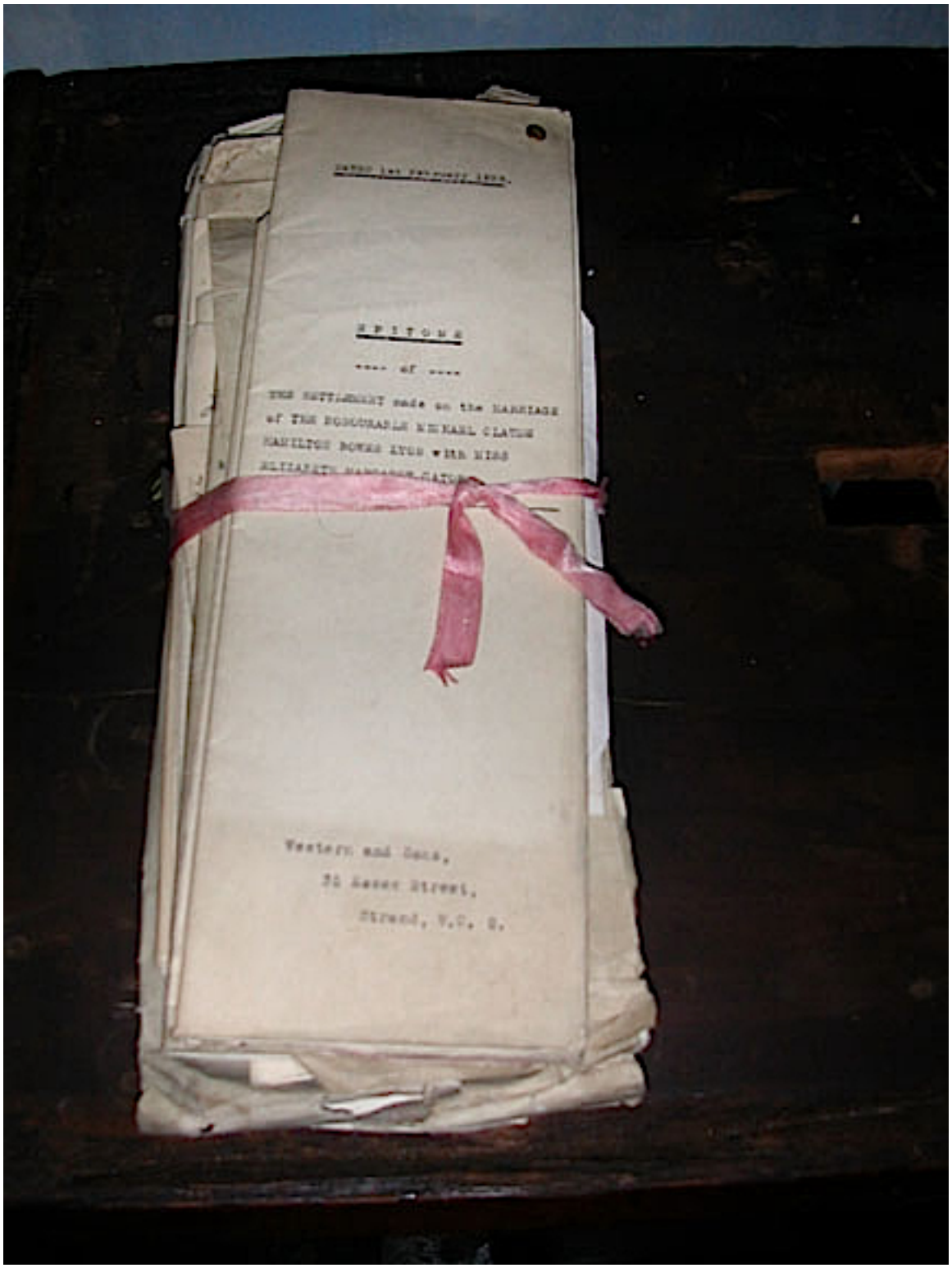
I'm afraid I'm not quite sure what you're asking about. The picture of the bundle of papers tied with a ribbon is too small for me to see what is typed on the top one. The other picture shows the Inventory of Claude Bowes Lyon, Earl of Strathmore, from 1904.

We hold the official record of the latter under ref SC47/40/72, pp175-179. We also hold similar for Marianne, Dowager Countess of Strathmore, recorded in 1850, SC70/1/70, pp231-233.

It is not impossible that the family and/or their lawyers kept copies of this information, although I don't quite know how it would have ended up in Williamsburg! However, I can assure you that we have the records we should have, and that the ones you hold are not part of the official records of wills and inventories in Scotland.

Yours sincerely,

Alison Lindsay | Head of Historical and Legal Search Rooms
National Records of Scotland | General Register House | Edinburgh EH1 3YY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of
Western and Canada,
32 Queen Street,
Strand, W.C. 2.

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3rd do. " 4th. July 1913
4th do. " 13th. May 1916
5th do. " 17th. March 1920
6th do. " 20th. July 1921
7th do. " 30th. Jany. 1922.

Copy

Will and Codicils

of

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE FRANCES DORA COUNTESS of STRATHMORE deceased.

Western & Sons,
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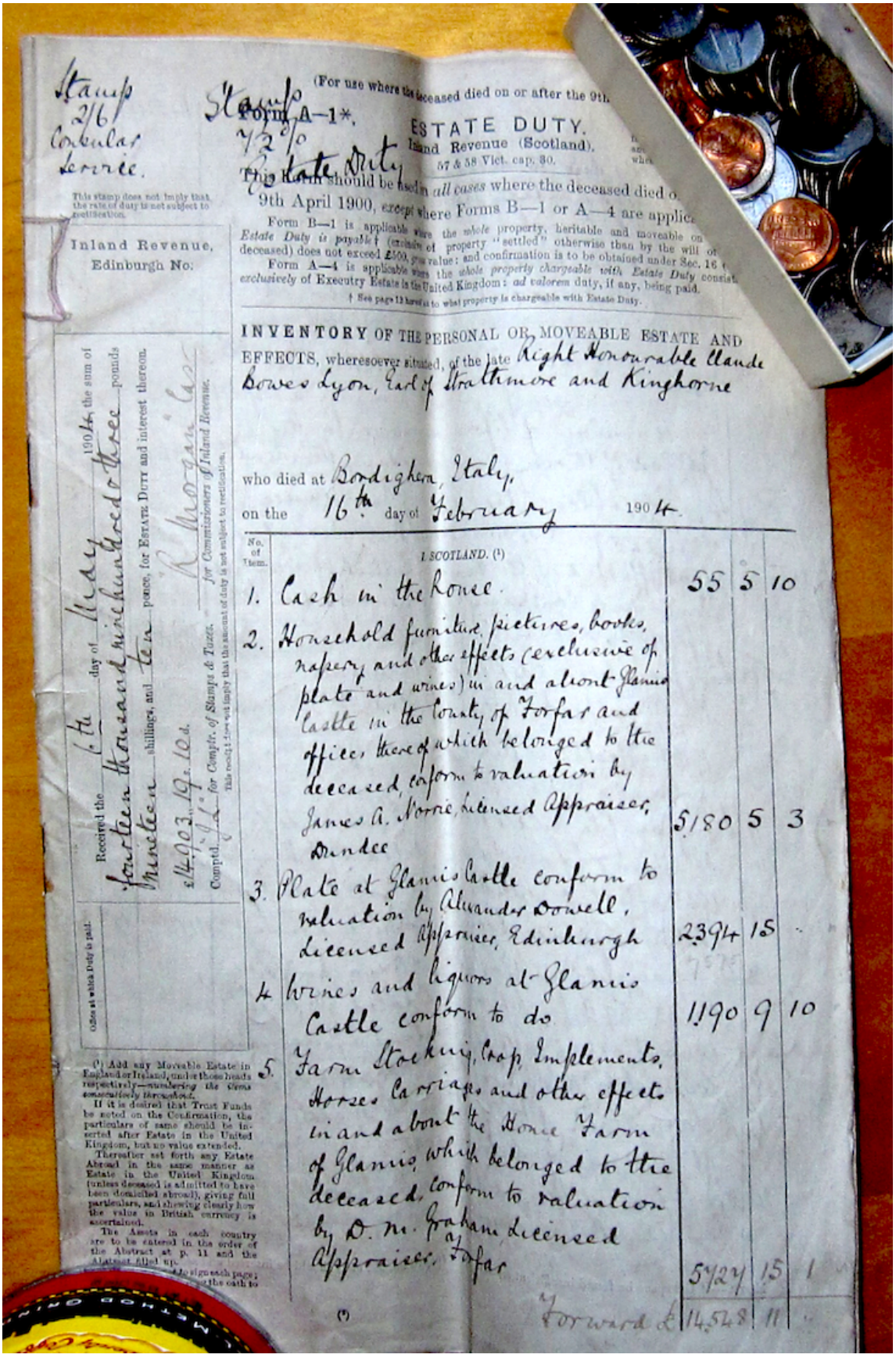
Strand, W.C.2.



Stamps 2/6 Consular Service.

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Inland Revenue, Edinburgh No:

Stamps 7/2/0 Estate Duty

(For use where the deceased died on or after the 9th.

Form A—1*.

ESTATE DUTY.

Inland Revenue (Scotland).

57 & 58 Vict. cap. 30.

This Form should be used in *all cases* where the deceased died o... 9th April 1900, except where Forms B—1 or A—4 are applic...

Form B—1 is applicable where the *whole* property, heritable and moveable on... *Estate Duty is payable*† (exclusive of property "settled" otherwise than by the will of... deceased) does not exceed £500, gross value: and confirmation is to be obtained under Sec. 16 ...

Form A—4 is applicable where the *whole property chargeable with Estate Duty* consist... *exclusively* of Executry Estate in the United Kingdom: *ad valorem* duty, if any, being paid.

† See page 12 hereof as to what property is chargeable with Estate Duty.

Received the 6th day of May 1904 the sum of fourteen thousand nine hundred and three pounds nineteen shillings, and ten pence, for ESTATE DUTY and interest thereon.

£14903. 19s. 10d.

R. Morgan C.S.C.

Compld. 6/5/04 for Comptr. of Stamps & Taxes. for Commissioners of Inland Revenue.

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Office at which Duty is paid:

INVENTORY OF THE PERSONAL OR MOVEABLE ESTATE AND EFFECTS, wheresoever situated, of the late Right Honourable Claude Bowes Lyon, Earl of Strathmore and Kinghorne

who died at Bordighera, Italy, on the 16th day of February 1904.

No. of Item.	I SCOTLAND. (1)			
1.	Cash in the House.	55	5	10
2.	Household furniture, pictures, books, napery and other effects (exclusive of plate and wines) in and about Glamis Castle in the County of Forfar and offices thereof which belonged to the deceased, conform to valuation by James A. Norrie, Licensed Appraiser, Dundee	5180	5	3
3.	Plate at Glamis Castle conform to valuation by Alexander Donsell, Licensed Appraiser, Edinburgh	2394	18	
4.	Wines and liquors at Glamis Castle conform to do	1190	9	10
5.	Farm Stocking, Crop, Implements, Horses Carriages and other effects in and about the Home Farm of Glamis, which belonged to the deceased, conform to valuation by D. M. Graham, Licensed Appraiser, Forfar	5424	15	1
	(2) Forward £	14548	11	

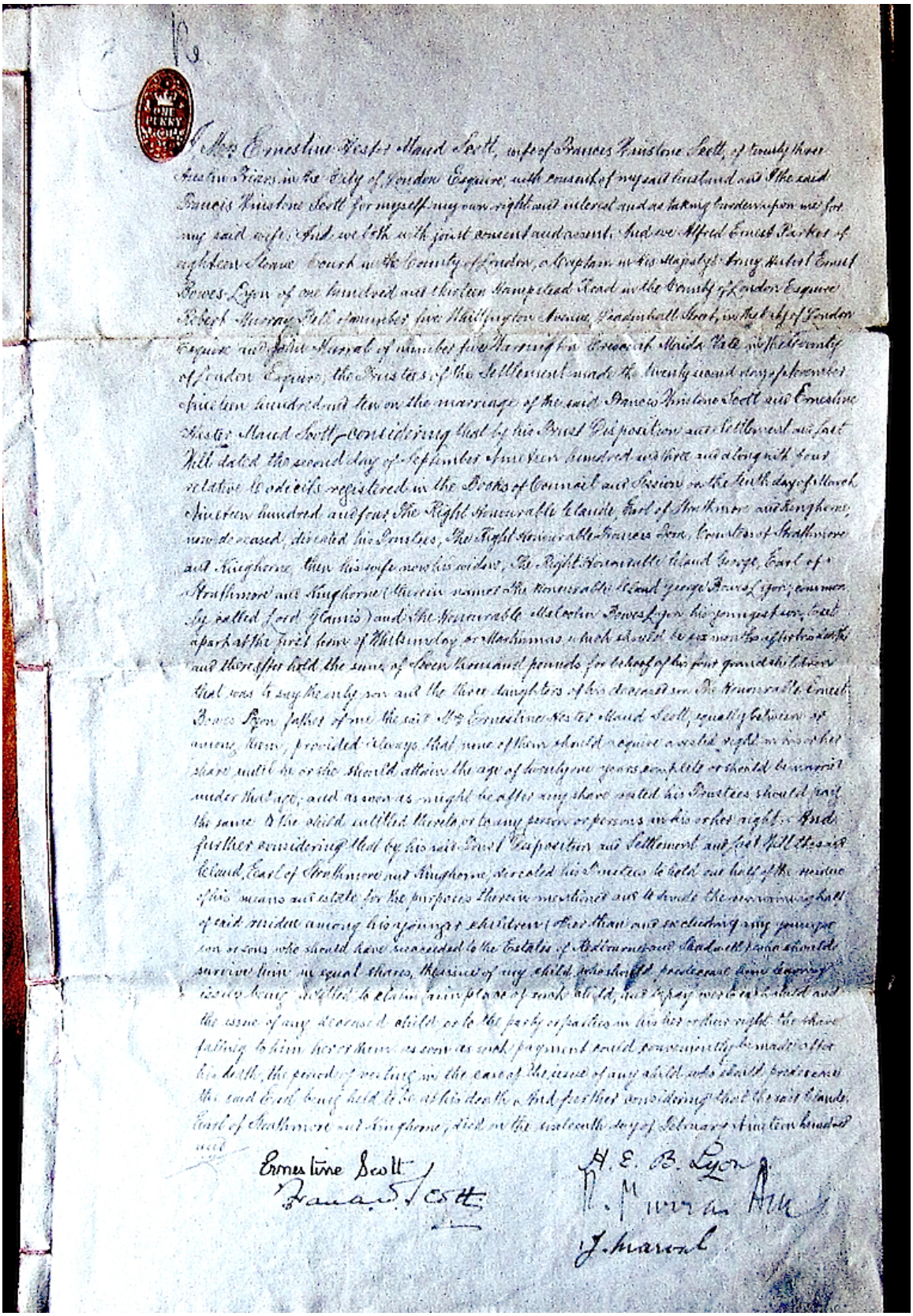
(1) Add any Moveable Estate in England or Ireland, under those heads respectively—numbering the items consecutively throughout.

If it is desired that Trust Funds be noted on the Confirmation, the particulars of same should be inserted after Estate in the United Kingdom, but no value extended.

Thereafter set forth any Estate Abroad in the same manner as Estate in the United Kingdom (unless deceased is admitted to have been domiciled abroad), giving full particulars, and shewing clearly how the value in British currency is ascertained.

The Assets in each country are to be entered in the order of the Abstract at p. 11 and the Abstract filled up.

(2) To sign each page; ... the oath to



I Mrs Ernestine Hester Maud Scott, wife of Francis Winstone Scott, of twenty three Austin Friars in the City of London Esquire, with consent of my said husband and I the said Francis Winstone Scott for myself my own right and interest and as taking Order upon me for my said wife, And we both with joint consent and account, And we Alfred Ernest Parker of eighteen Lennox Court in the County of London, Captain in his Majesty's Army Robert Ernest Bowes Lyon of one hundred and thirteen Hampstead Road in the County of London Esquire Robert Murray Pitt of number five Hallington Avenue, Headingham Road, in the City of London Esquire and John Hannah of number five Harrington Terrace at Maida Vale in the County of London Esquire, the Trustees of the Settlement made the twenty second day of November One thousand nine hundred and ten on the marriage of the said Francis Winstone Scott and Ernestine Hester Maud Scott considering that by his Great Disposition and Settlement and last Will dated the second day of September One thousand nine hundred and three and duly with four relative Codicils registered in the Books of Council and Session on the sixth day of March One thousand nine hundred and four The Right Honourable Claude Earl of Strathmore and Kinghorne now deceased, directed his Trustees, The Right Honourable Frances Dow, Countess of Strathmore and Kinghorne then his wife now his widow, The Right Honourable Claud George, Earl of Strathmore and Kinghorne (therein named The Honourable Claud George Bowes Lyon commonly called Lord Glamis) and The Honourable Malcolm Bowes Lyon his youngest son, (and apart of the first house of Whitsunday or Martinmas which should be six months after his death and thereafter held the sum of Seven thousand pounds for behoof of his four grandchildren that was to say the only son and the three daughters of his deceased son The Honourable Ernest Bowes Lyon father of me the said Mrs Ernestine Hester Maud Scott, equally between or among them, provided always that none of them should acquire a vested right in his or her share until he or she should attain the age of twenty one years complete or should be married under that age, and as soon as might be after any share vested his Trustees should real the same & the child entitled thereto or to any person or persons in his or her right. And further considering that by his said Great Disposition and Settlement and last Will the said Claud, Earl of Strathmore and Kinghorne, directed his Trustees to hold one half of the residue of his means and estate for the purposes therein mentioned and to divide the one moiety or half of said residue among his surviving children other than and excluding any younger son or sons who should have succeeded to the Estates of Strathmore and Kinghorne and should survive him in equal shares, the issue of any child who should predecease him leaving issue being entitled to claim such share of such child, but so that no issue should get the share of their deceased parent and the issue of any deceased child or the party or parties in his or her or their right to have falling to him her or them as soon as such payment could conveniently be made after his death, the period of vesting in the case of the issue of any child who should predecease the said Earl being held to be at his death. And further considering that the said Claude, Earl of Strathmore and Kinghorne, died on the sixteenth day of February One thousand nine

Ernestine Scott
Francis Scott

H. E. B. Lyon
R. Murray Pitt
J. Hannah

No. of Item.				Appropriate Account.
	Forward £	14548	11	
6.	Balances due to deceased at date of death by Messrs. Lindsay Jamieson & Haldane, C.A., Edinburgh	16	6 8	Inventory
7.	Balance due to deceased at date of death by Mr. Andrew Raleton, his Factor at Glamis (This sum is Bal.ce due by the Factor)	509	- -	Acct. No. 3
8.	Amount of Income Tax repayable by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue in respect of premiums of life assurance for the period of three years preceding the death	362	17 -	
9.	Sum payable under Policy of Assurance No P. 14542 for £3.000 and dated 13th December 1865 effected with the North British Mercantile Insurance Company in the name and on the life of the deceased	4947	16 -	Acct. No.
10.	Sum payable under Policy of Assurance No P. 16176 for £5.000 and dated 3rd August 1868 effected with said Company in like manner	7952	17 6	Acct. No
11.	Sum payable under Policy of Assurance No. 24267 for £6.000 and dated 29th November 1865, effected with the Scotish Widows Fund & Life Assurance Society in like manner	11187	8 6	Acct. N
12.	Sum payable under Policy of Assurance No. 33059 P. for £6.000 and dated 8th Dec. 1865 effected with the Standard Life Assurance Coy. in like manner	8134	10 -	Acct. N
13.	£2.000 Stock of the Royal Bank of Scotland at 245½% at date of death	4910	- -	Acct. N
14.	20 Shares of the said North British and Mercantile Insurance Company at 36½ per share at — do.	730	- -	Acct.

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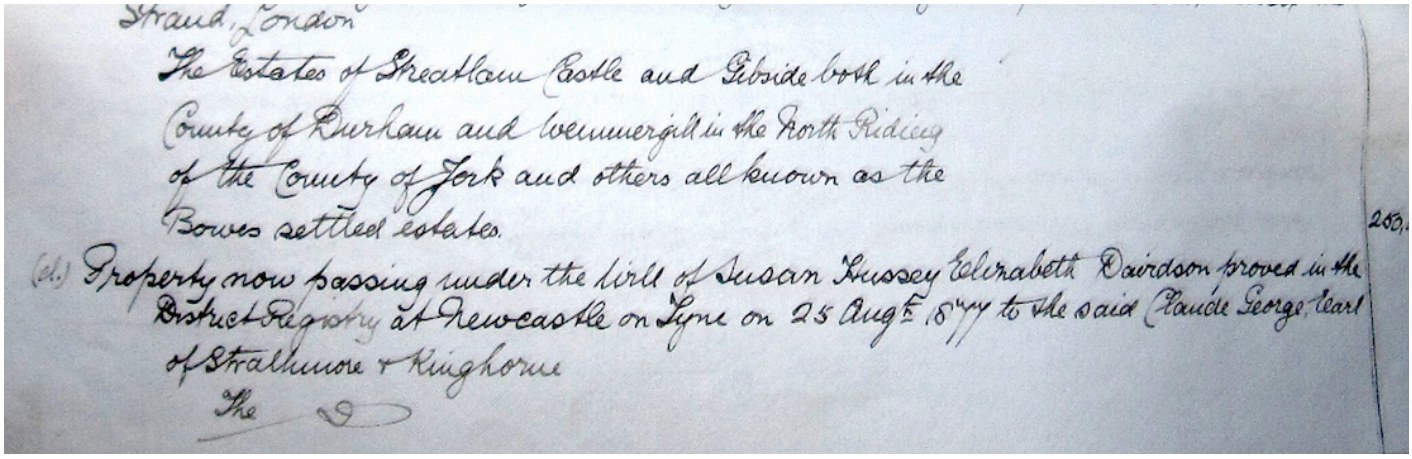
15. £60 Ordinary Stock of the Caledonian Railway Company @ 103% at date of death	61	16	-
16. £500 Deferred Ordinary Stock No I. of said Railway Company @ 38/9 % at Dv.	9	13	9
17. 15 shares of £3 each (fully paid) in the Scottish Guardian Newspaper Coy. Ld. of no value, but say	-	1	-
18. 85 shares of the Scottish Newspaper Coy. £1 of no value but say	-	1	-
19. Debenture for £50 of the Scottish Conservative Club at par £50 - - Interest thereon @ 4½% per annum from 31st Dec. 1903 to date of death 5 5	50	5	5
20. Sum due to the deceased by the Right Hon. Frances Dora, Countess of Strathmore and Kinghorne	40	-	-
Arrears of rent and feuduties due at the death, and rents and feuduties accrued but unpaid at the death These have not been ascertained, but will be given in in a corrective inventory.			
	£70050	6	4

II. England.

Household furniture, pictures, books, napery and other effects in and about Streatlam Castle, Darlington, and offices thereof, which belonged to the deceased, estimated at £750 - -

Plate and wines at Streatlam Castle aforesaid, conform to valuation by said Alexander Oswell 1515 - - 10

Farm Stocking, Crops, implements, horses, carriages, and other effects in and about the Home Farm of Streatlam, which belonged



Strand, London

The Estates of Streatlam Castle and Gibside both in the County of Durham and Wemmergill in the North Riding of the County of York and others all known as the Bowes settled estates.

(cl.) Property now passing under the will of Susan Russey Elizabeth Davidson proved in the District Registry at Newcastle on Tyne on 25 Augt 1877 to the said Claude George Earl of Strathmore & Kinghorne

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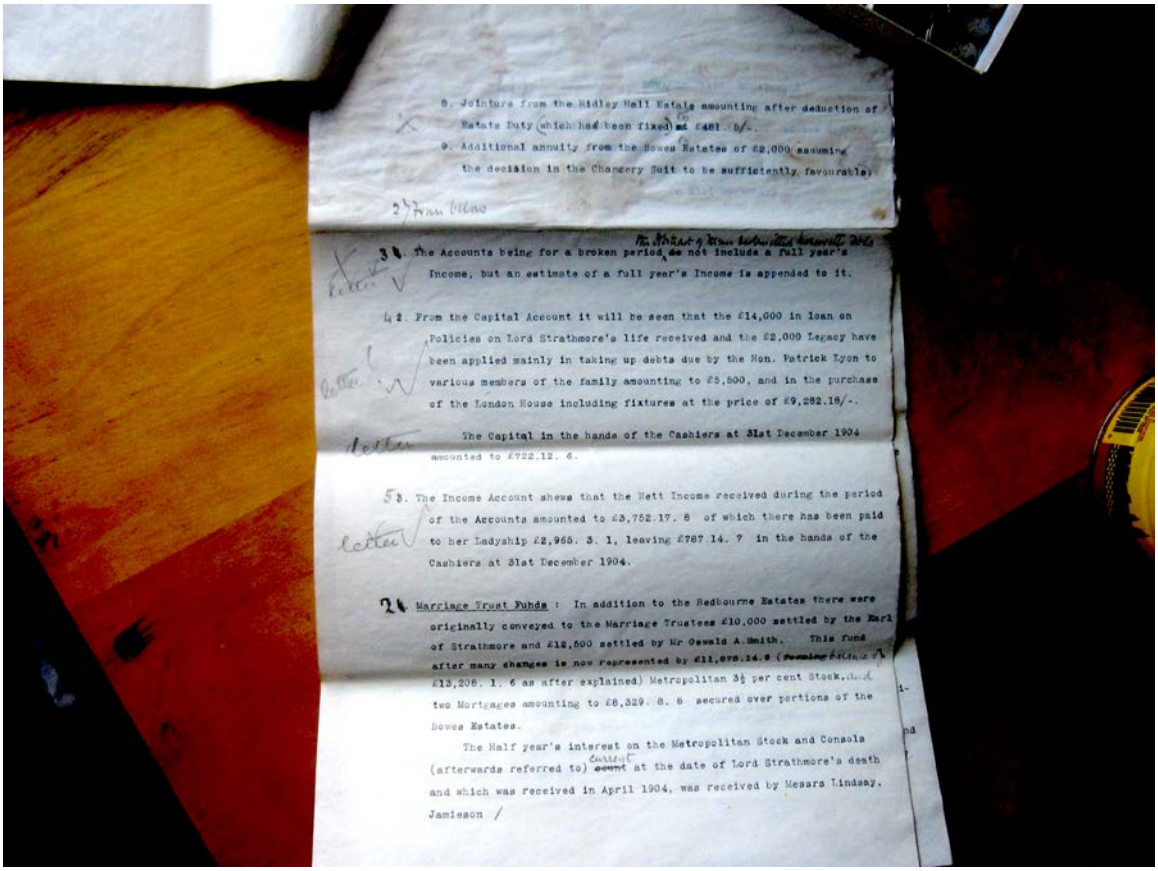


9. Jointure from the Ridley Hall Estate amounting after deduction of Estate Duty (which had been fixed at £481. 5/-.

9. Additional annuity from the Bowes Estates of £2,000 assuming the decision in the Chancery Suit to be sufficiently favourable.

3. The Accounts being for a broken period do not include a full year's Income, but an estimate of a full year's Income is appended to it.

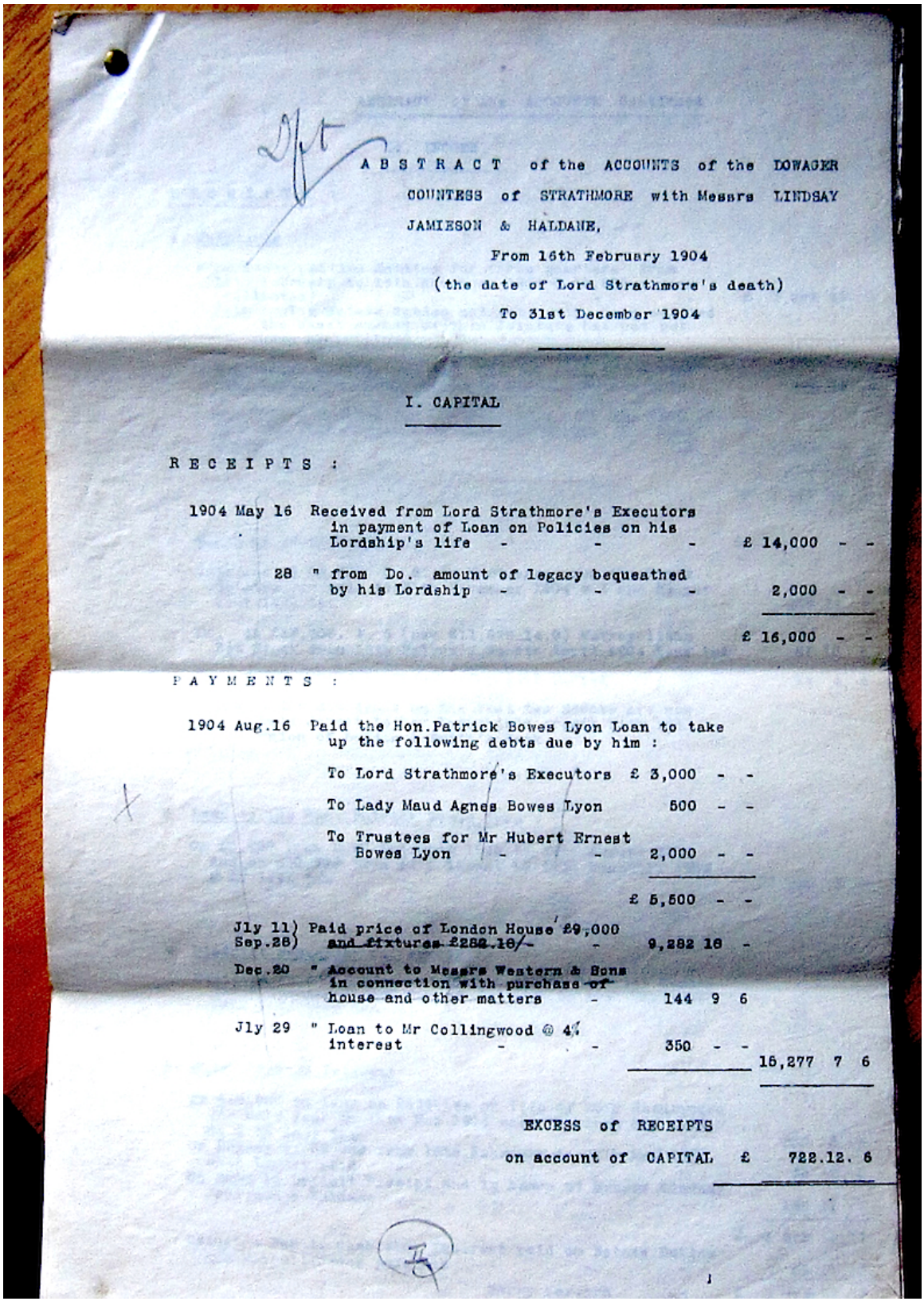
4. From the Capital Account it will be seen that the £14,000 in loan on Policies on Lord Strathmore's life received and the £2,000 Legacy have been applied mainly in taking up debts due by the Hon. Patrick Lyon to various members of the family amounting to £5,500, and in the purchase of the London House including fixtures at the price of £9,282.18/-.

The Capital in the hands of the Cashiers at 31st December 1904 amounted to £722.12. 6.

5. The Income Account shews that the Nett Income received during the period of the Accounts amounted to £3,752.17. 6 of which there has been paid to her Ladyship £2,965. 3. 1, leaving £787.14. 7 in the hands of the Cashiers at 31st December 1904.

6. Marriage Trust Funds : In addition to the Redbourne Estates there were originally conveyed to the Marriage Trustees £10,000 settled by the Earl of Strathmore and £12,500 settled by Mr Oswald A.Smith. This fund after many changes is now represented by £11,078.14.9 (forming £13,208. 1. 6 as after explained) Metropolitan 3½ per cent Stock, and two Mortgages amounting to £8,329. 8. 6 secured over portions of the Bowes Estates.

The Half year's interest on the Metropolitan Stock and Consols (afterwards referred to) ~~count~~ current at the date of Lord Strathmore's death and which was received in April 1904, was received by Messrs Lindsay, Jamieson /



ABSTRACT of the ACCOUNTS of the DOWAGER COUNTESS of STRATHMORE with Messrs LINDSAY JAMIESON & HALDANE,

From 16th February 1904

(the date of Lord Strathmore's death)

To 31st December 1904

I. CAPITAL

RECEIPTS :

1904 May 16	Received from Lord Strathmore's Executors in payment of Loan on Policies on his Lordship's life - - -	£ 14,000	- -
28	" from Do. amount of legacy bequeathed by his Lordship - - -	2,000	- -
		£ 16,000	- -

PAYMENTS :

1904 Aug.16	Paid the Hon.Patrick Bowes Lyon Loan to take up the following debts due by him :			
	To Lord Strathmore's Executors	£ 3,000	- -	
	To Lady Maud Agnes Bowes Lyon	500	- -	
	To Trustees for Mr Hubert Ernest Bowes Lyon - -	2,000	- -	
		£ 5,500	- -	
Jly 11) Sep.28)	Paid price of London House £9,000 and fixtures £282.10/- -	9,282	10 -	
Dec.20	" Account to Messrs Western & Sons in connection with purchase of house and other matters -	144	9 6	
Jly 29	" Loan to Mr Collingwood @ 4% interest - -	350	- -	
				15,277 7 6

EXCESS of RECEIPTS on account of CAPITAL £ 722.12. 6

REVOKE the legacy of Two hundred pounds by my Will bequeathed to Miss Hilda Cadogan who has since married

Legacy to Miss Hilda Cadogan revoked.

I BEQUEATH to my present cook Mrs. Selbon the sum of Fifty pounds free of legacy duty in addition to the legacy under my Will

Further pecuniary legacies free of duty.

AND I BEQUEATH to my daughter The Lady Constance Frances Blackburn the sum of Five thousand pounds sterling free of legacy duty and to be in no way bound by any provision in nor to fall under her Marriage Contract In all other respects I confirm my said Will and former Codicil AS WITNESS my hand this day of December One thousand nine hundred and twelve.

Mrs. Selbon, Cook £50. (Revoked by 4th Codicil) ✓

Lady Constance Blackburn £5000.

Not to fall under her Marriage Contract.

SIGNED by the said Frances Dora Dowager Countess of Strathmore and Kinghorne as a Codicil to her Will in the presence of us present at the same time who in her presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses } F.D. STRATHMORE & KINGHORNE.

Thomas Cooke,
Butler,
19, Hans Place,
S.W.

Emma White,
Ladys Maid,
19, Hans Place, S.W.

3rd Codicil dated 4th July 1913.

I THE RIGHT HONOURABLE FRANCES DORA DOWAGER COUNTESS of STRATHMORE and KINGHORNE of 19, Hans Place London Widow DECLARE this to be a third Codicil to my Will which is dated the fourteenth January One thousand nine hundred and eight my first Codicil being dated Twentieth June One thousand nine hundred and eleven and my second Codicil December One thousand nine hundred and twelve WHEREAS by my said Will I bequeathed to my Trustees therein named the sum of Two thousand pounds sterling upon certain trusts for the benefit of my

Revocation of bequest in trust for Ernest Hubert Bowes Lyon.

Legacy of £2,000 on discretionary trust for Ernest Hubert Bowes Lyon his wife and issue.

grandson Ernest Hubert Bowes
N O W I REVOKE that legacy
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investments and during the
Hubert Bowes Lyon to pay and
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and fact that the marriage between me the said Frances Winstone Scott and Mrs Ernestine Hester Maud Scott was duly solemnized on the day of One thousand nine hundred and ten and that the said Mrs Ernestine Hester Maud Scott attained the age of twenty one years complete on the nineteenth day of December One thousand nine hundred and twelve. And further considering that the said Settlement of twenty second November One thousand nine hundred and ten & the said Mrs Ernestine Hester Maud Scott with the sanction of the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice in England and with the approbation of the said Frances Winstone Scott inter alia assigned to the Trustees thereof a certain sum interest in the investments representing my one fourth share of the said sum of Seven thousand pounds (save those specified in the first part of the Schedule hereto and covenanted to settle property thereafter to be acquired by me other than any further share or interest to which I may then or upon my marriage or upon or at any other event or time might become entitled under the said Trust & Disposition and Settlement and Codicils And further considering that the said Countess of Strathmore and Kinghorne, Claud George, Earl of Strathmore and Kinghorne, and Malcolm Fleming Lyon as Trustees foresaid have transferred and made over to the Trustees of the said Settlement of twenty second November One thousand nine hundred and ten the investments specified in the first part of the Schedule hereto in satisfaction of the one fourth share of me the said Mrs Ernestine Hester Maud Scott in the said sum of Seven thousand pounds and have paid and made over to me the said Mrs Ernestine Hester Maud Scott the cash and investments specified in the second part of said Schedule in satisfaction of my share of the said one half of said residue so far as the same has become divisible prior to the date hereof Therefore we the whole parties hereto do hereby acknowledge the receipt from the said Trustees of the said Claude, Earl of Strathmore and Kinghorne, of the said one fourth share of said sum of Seven thousand pounds And we the said Mrs Ernestine Hester Maud Scott and Frances Winstone Scott with joint consent and assent as aforesaid do hereby acknowledge the receipt from them of the said cash and investments in account of said share of residue Reserving always the right of me the said Mrs Ernestine Hester Maud Scott to any further sums which may hereafter be payable in respect of said share of residue In Witness Whereof we have subscribed these presents this Twelfth day of March Nineteen hundred and thirteen

Schedule above referred to

Share of £9000 Legacy			
£960 East Indian Railway Company 5% New Debenture Stock - value £	977	7	9
£111 Metropolitan Railway 3½% Debenture Stock ____ value	114	12	6
Forward £	1092	19	3

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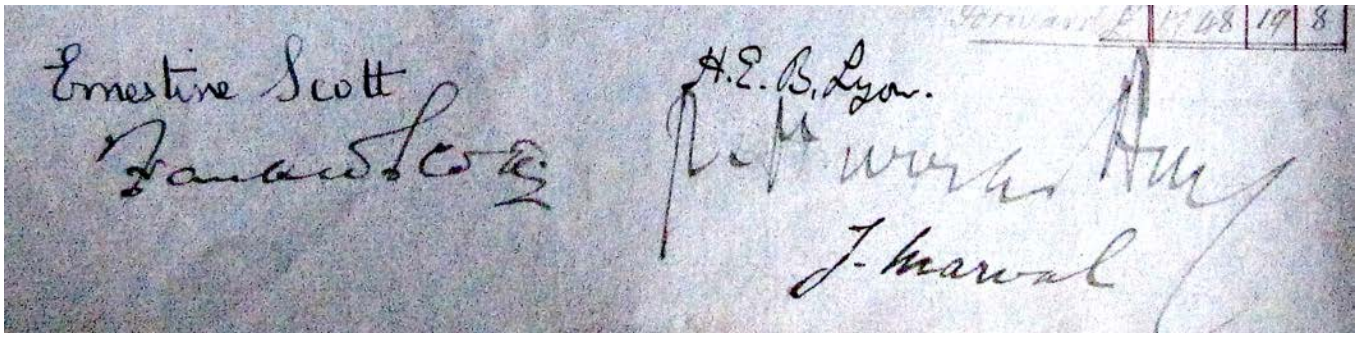
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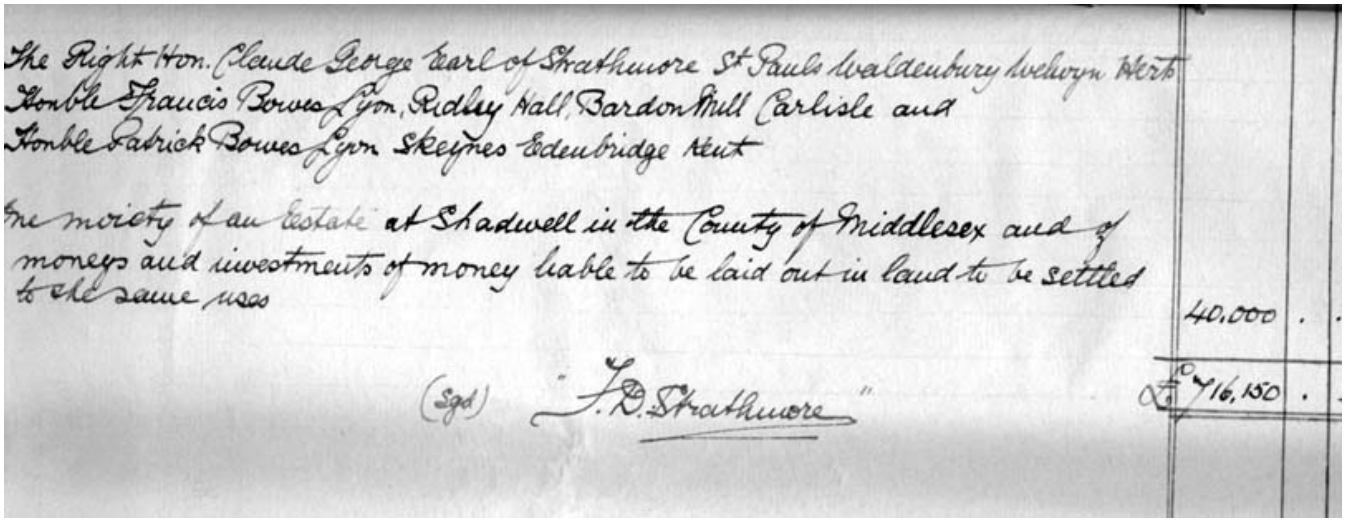
The Right Hon. Claude George Earl of Strathmore St Pauls Waldenbury Hertford
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the moiety of an Estate at Shadwell in the County of Middlesex and of
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(Sgd) "F.D. Strathmore"
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The 13th Earl, Claude, had what is commonly known as an "edifice complex." He liked to build and did much to improve the grounds of Glamis Castle, much in the same way as England was improving upon and expanding it's Empire under Queen Victoria. He could afford lavish improvements to the Caste and grounds because of the financial holdings of the family brought to him in part when his predecessor, his older brother Thomas, who died in 1865. Among many holdings listed in the inventory copies owned by the Yuko Nii Foundation and dated 1904 are: shares of the Royal bank of Scotland, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company, the Caledonian Railway Company, The Scottish Guardian Newspaper, and more. They owned various castles and other properties in England, Scotland and beyond, including **Streatham Castle** with various farming properties situated thereto. Essentially, the family's investments expanded tremendously with the success of the British Empire, allowing them a very comfortable and privileged position as one of the leading noble families of Great Britain.

Biarritz where Claude died in 1904 became more renowned in 1854 when Empress Eugenie (the wife of Napoleon III) built a palace on the beach (now the Hôtel du Palais). European royalty, including British monarchs Queen Victoria and King Edward VII (who caused a minor scandal when he called H. H. Asquith to kiss hands at Biarritz in 1908 rather than return to London for the purpose),[1] and the Spanish king Alfonso XIII, were frequent visitors.

Biarritz's casino (opened 10 August 1901) and beaches make the town a notable tourist centre for Europeans, and East Coast North Americans. The city has also become more recently a prime destination for surfers from around the world, developing a nightlife and surf based culture.

The Episode of Claude, the 13th Earl, and the "Mad Mr. Henegage"

In 1885 a peculiar episode occurred when invitations were sent out for a ball at the Hotel Palais Biarritz. Mr. Charles Heneage, who had put down his cousin Miss Chalfont up for one of the invitations, became enraged when he found it was to be held at a casino. Claude had just sat down to a breakfast of rolls and coffee at the Vila Bon Air when a letter was placed in front of him from this Mr. Heneage written earlier in the morning. Mr. Heneage was also of a respectable lineage from Hainton Hall in Lincolnshire. Mr. Heneage's letter went on to accuse the earl of having invited Miss Chalfont to "a locality prior to that date used for immoral purposes."

Hotel Palais Biarritz

In January 1886 Claude received another letter from Mr. Heneage saying of the location " it is not suitable for this purpose since other vices beyond gambling have been permitted under public surveillance.," and on and on Heneage rambled.

A plethora of letters from Mr. Heneage went out to other members of the aristocracy and government officials. Many of the letters were shown to or sent to Claude from persons offended and dumbstruck by the tirades of "Mad" Mr. Heneage. Mr. Heneage's own brother apologized for the behavior of Charles stating that there was nothing he could do to end the irrational behavior.
Finally, fed up with the entire mess, Lord Strathmore took his revenge. He posted this in the drawing room of the Hotel l'Angleterre (in his own handwriting) :

One Mr Heneage, so they say,
A dreadful row has made today,
About the Ball committee.
And very naughty words has used,
And Palais Barritz much abused
In Language which we pity.

If Mr, Heneage be so pure;
He's much too good for us I'm sure,
This Paragon of Virtue.
So what could the Committee say,
Except "You'd better stay away,
For fear the place will hurt you!"
1) Receipt from Ernestine Hester Maud Scott & Others